



# STORM WATER UTILITY INFORMATION

On April 2, 2012, the City passed Ordinance 12-11 creating a local Storm Water Utility. Unmanaged storm water carries pollution and can threaten bodies of water, recreational areas, drinking water, and the plants, people, and animals who depend on clean water.

State and federal statutes, including the Clean Water Act, mandate storm water management. In recent years, Greenwood has spent over \$1.25 million in storm water management from its general budget. It can no longer continue to do so without threatening vital services such as police, fire, and street maintenance.

As part of the creation of the utility, the City also adopted an interim rate structure. This is necessary until an engineering study can be completed to gather the data needed for a permanent rate structure. Over the next several months, there will be public meetings and other opportunities for those interested to have their opinions considered about the permanent rate system. For additional information, please see the City's website: [www.greenwood.in.gov](http://www.greenwood.in.gov).

Greenwood has been and will remain one of the **most economic communities** in the state and country in respect to both taxes and utilities. Segregating the costs of storm water management will allow the City to continue current staffing in vital services such as police, fire and street maintenance. Thank you for your patience.

**Billing Options:** If you would like to pay for more than one month at a time by check, the City is now capable of accepting such payments. Beginning this fall, your storm water bill will combine with your trash and sewer bill – at that time **YOUR STORM WATER ACCOUNT NUMBER WILL CHANGE**.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have questions.

Email: [stormwater@greenwood.in.gov](mailto:stormwater@greenwood.in.gov)

Detailed information is available at:

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